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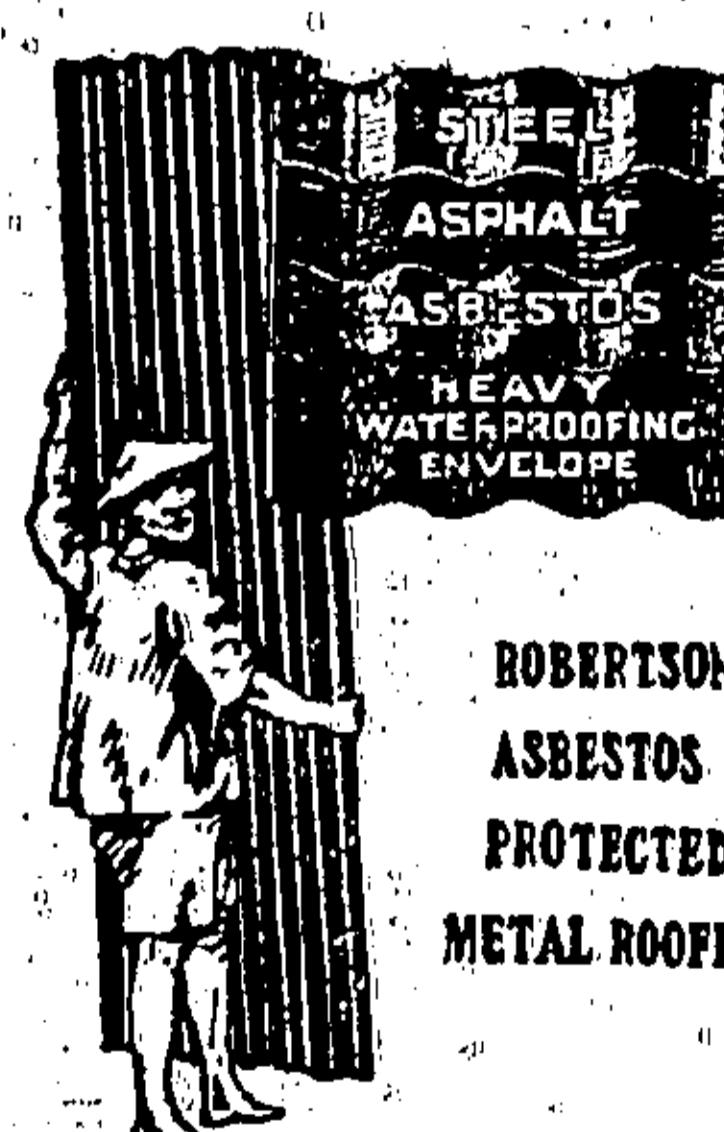
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## CANTON SHIPPING.

### DRASTIC ACTION BY THE CUSTOMS.

#### FORT VIRTUALLY CLOSED.

The most important development in Canton for some time is reported by the decision of the Commissioner of the Chinese Maritime Customs not to issue—as from to-day—any permits for the loading or unloading of cargo.

As the natural result of this decision the steamer "Lung Shan" belonging to the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co. Limited, did not leave on the usual voyage to Canton this morning. It is, of course, quite useless for cargo to be sent to Canton and only have to be brought back again. Therefore, it follows, that other steamers on the run will be affected in the same manner.

It has been common knowledge for a considerable time that the strikers in Canton were interfering illegitimately with the proper functioning of the Maritime Customs. Little or no control could be maintained by the Customs over contraband, and in other ways the Customs' duties were being impeded or dislocated. Eventually matters went from bad to worse, which led the Commissioner of Customs to intimate, through the usual official channels—the Canton Government—that further interference by the strikers with the functioning of the Customs would lead to the Customs taking the drastic action of refusing to grant permits for loading or unloading cargo in the Canton river. This was ignored, and as the interference was persisted in, it was decided to give effect to the threat as from to-day.

The Commissioner of Customs, it should be almost needless to point out, acts directly under the control of the Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs in Peking. It is logical to assume, therefore, that the Commissioner's decision was made with the full approval of the Inspector-General. This fact is worthy of mention inasmuch as it narrows the issue down to a dispute between the Chinese Maritime Customs on the one hand and the Canton Government and/or the strikers on the other.

The position is one of extreme importance and gravity, and any further developments will be awaited with considerable interest.

#### State of Blockade.

From the best informed sources it is learned that cargo belonging to nationals of five Powers had been seized by armed boycott pickets. This cargo was taken, prior to examination by the Customs staff, and when in the custody of the Customs. According to the evidence of the incidents was all by deduction and the prisoner's own statements, it was pointed out to the jury. According to the prisoner's voluntary statement to an Indian sergeant who arrived on the scene shortly afterwards, the cause of the quarrel had been a remark by the deceased to the prisoner concerning the lateness of his call at the Headquarters. According to the prisoner, the deceased had said that an Inspector had called and wanted to know if the Weihaiwei constable had been round. The deceased had said that he had.

"If I had told him you had not been, you would have been put on the report," the deceased was alleged to have said. A quarrel then took place.

To two military police, who arrived on the scene having heard that something was wrong, the prisoner had tried to reconstruct by gesture and broken English what had happened, but the Crown, it was stated in the course of the case this morning, did not attach much importance to this as it was not clear to the military men exactly what he did mean.

To the Shantung interpreter at police headquarters, the prisoner volunteered a statement. The deceased had then been carried by a public chair obtained at the Peak tram station and had been found to be dead on his arrival. He had been alive when picked up but had made no statement. In the statement in question, the prisoner repeated the remark that the deceased was alleged to have made about the inspector and said that deceased had then struck him and tried to take his (prisoner's) truncheon, afterwards forcing him to his knees and trying to take his (prisoner's) revolver from its holster.

"Seeing that I was in danger," the statement continued, "I was forced to draw the revolver on him, though unintentionally. I tried to turn it away

## FATAL QUARREL.

### CONSTABLE CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

#### PARADE GROUND INCIDENTS.

The shooting of an Indian constable on the parade ground of Volunteer Headquarters on the night of January 22, was the subject of enquiry at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

It would be the common ground of the Crown's case and that of the prisoner, said Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, for the Crown, that a quarrel took place between the deceased and prisoner (a Weihaiwei constable), that there was fight, blows were exchanged and in the course of the quarrel the Indian constable was shot by a bullet from prisoner's revolver.

The charge against the Weihaiwei constable is one of manslaughter.

The scene of the quarrel and where the Indian constable was found lying was in the corner of the parade ground near to Lower Albert Road not far from the arc lamp.

The statements of the Weihaiwei constable were dealt with by the Crown solicitor. The first was that made to the Indian in charge of the traffic control box to whom the prisoner ran just after the shooting. The prisoner said to this witness: "Your folk is dead!" In reply to the question as to how it happened, prisoner made a remark the purport of which, said Mr. Hazlerigg, was not that the prisoner had shot the deceased but that a bullet from his revolver had been unintentionally discharged.

On the night in question, according to evidence called this morning, the deceased was detailed for special post duty at the P.W.D. and Volunteer Headquarters owing to the unsettled position at that time. The prisoner's bent on that night was one which brought him to the Volunteer Headquarters periodically, part of his duty being to see that the Indian constable was alright and that nothing unusual was occurring.

A European officer who had visited the spot a quarter of an hour before the incidents in question found everything correct and at that time the Indian constable was sober. It was at 9.45 p.m. that the Weihaiwei constable Voleti was on their way out from Home after a holiday.

The funeral passes the monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

Until noon to-morrow the weather forecast is N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, rainy and foggy at first.

from myself when it went off. I never meant it to."

With regard to this statement the Crown Solicitor commented that the double pull of a revolver requires force of a considerable number of lbs.

Prisoner had further stated at the police headquarters that the deceased had struck him with the truncheon on his arm and leg. He was examined and slight bruises and abrasions were found.

According to medical evidence, bruises above the elbow might have been caused by a truncheon but it was not thought that the abrasions below the knee could.

They were not such as would indicate violence which would lead the police to the belief that his life was threatened, commented the Crown Solicitor. Prisoner's truncheon pocket had, however, been torn and there were marks on the truncheon grid. The truncheon itself was scratched and bore marks as if it had been thrown to the ground. His revolver holster, too, was scratched in such a manner that might have been the result of it having been grabbed at with finger nails.

With regard to an allegation the prisoner had brought against the dead man that part of the trouble in the beginning had been as a result of the deceased suggesting to him a certain offence, the Crown Solicitor pointed out the publicity of the place as disproving the suggestion.

Medical evidence was given as to the nature of the wounds sustained by deceased. The bullet has entered just below and in front of the left hip bone, had passed through the body and lodged in the right.

The skin was charred and a hole was burned through deceased's clothing at the point of entry. The cause of death was shock and haemorrhage.

The case is proceeding.

## OBITUARY.

### MR. W. J. WILKINSON'S DEATH.

#### FUNERAL TODAY.

It is with sincere regret that the "China Mail" records the death last night of Mr. William Josiah Wilkinson, a Government pensioner and ex-service man, who is best known as overseer to the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co. Ltd.

Mr. Wilkinson was 57 years of age. Apparently in good health, he went to Macao yesterday for a trip. On his return he complained

#### RESIDENT'S DEATH.



The late Mr. William Josiah Wilkinson.

of feeling unwell and had just taken off his shoes when he fell back and died twenty minutes later.

The deceased gentleman was very popular in the Colony. Joining the Royal Marines in 1888, he purchased his discharge in Hongkong in 1894 and joined the Prison Department, retiring on pension (as Principal Warden) in 1910, when he joined the Land Investment Co.

Much sympathy will go out to the family of the deceased, Mr. Wilkinson is succeeded by his wife, seven sons, four daughters, and fourteen grandchildren. His eldest son Willie and his daughter Violet are on their way out from Home after a holiday.

The funeral passes the monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

#### WIDOW'S HUT ENTERED.

At 2.30 yesterday morning, a gang of four paint-scrappers broke through the door of a Chinese widow's hut at Tokowan, Hung-hom.

After tying up their victim,

who was threatened with the tools used by the men in their profession,

the gang ransacked the hut, but all they got for their pains was property to the value of \$16.

The evidence was that the constable (in plain clothes) arrested an amah for selling chickens and that the defendant interfered and struck him. Denying the allegation of assault, defendant said that he asked the constable not to drag the woman by the hand while she had a child on her back. The amah admitted that the defendant pulled the constable away while the latter was holding her.

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## RATIONALISTS MEET.

RE-UNION OF ASSOCIATION MEMBERS  
INTERESTING SPEECHES.

Including guests, about fifty attended the dinner on Saturday of the Rationalist Association of Hongkong, which took place in a private dining room at the Hongkong Hotel.

In the course of the evening, Dr. W. W. Pearce, the President, spoke as follows:

This is the third annual reunion in Hongkong of the members of the Rationalist Press Association. Recently, our members have considerably increased. The honorary secretary, Mr. Forrest, will presently tell you what our membership is and you will see that the interest which has been taken in the Association locally is a matter for congratulation.

Frequently during the last year I have been asked what is Rationalism. We are all liable to be asked this question which is not an easy one to answer briefly. At the head of our periodical "The Literary Guide and Rationalist Review" we have perhaps the best attempt to describe Rationalism briefly and I may be excused if I repeat it here.

Rationalism may be defined as the Mental Attitude which unreservedly accepts the supremacy of reason and aims at establishing a system of Philosophy and Ethics verifiable by experience and independent of all arbitrary assumptions of Authority."

Rationalism is therefore both subjective and objective. The objective side, it seems, must be secondary to its subjective side, as it is impossible to build well without careful study of the building material.

Man is naturally questioning. He seeks the reasons for things, but owing to his having to struggle for his existence he is very liable to accept without examination any plausible theory put forward with the semblance of authority. Throughout the ages, man has been trying to solve the riddle of the universe. Many different theories have been formed pretending to answer this riddle. These, however, have generally been mixed with formal religion and priesthood, and have been used as a means of governance. The moment the light of reason is shed on such theories they fall to pieces.

## The Test Of Reason.

Rationalism "does not seek to formulate any definite creed to be accepted as explaining the meaning of life to be substituted for one or other of the existing religions which pretend to be complete and sufficient for men's needs. If it did it would contradict itself, for man cannot measure the infinite. Rationalism does, however, encourage men to enquire of themselves and the world in which they live and to subject their observations to the test of reason and to reject as unproven conclusions which are not the outcome of logical argument."

Man knows very little, but he can always try to learn more, and our Association has been founded for the purpose of mutual help in learning both by disseminating knowledge of human experience and in reasoning therefrom. Our Association offers opportunities to those who are not satisfied with the dogmatic teachings of existing formal religious systems.

Rationalism like science knows no frontiers and is essentially non-political in its aims. Reason, a common attribute to all mankind, it is therefore very pleasing to know that our Hongkong branch has now many Chinese members. That Rationalism has been characteristic of Chinese philosophy for over two thousand years is to be deduced from a saying of Confucius that: "To know that you do not know is the beginning of wisdom."

I congratulate you, ladies and gentlemen, upon the success of the Hongkong branch of our Association and I hope that its members will continue to multiply. This is the last meeting in Hongkong which I shall have the pleasure of attending and I heartily ask you to join me in wishing prosperity to the Rationalist Press Association.

Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, the honorary secretary, spoke as follows:-

In reply to the words of our President in which he has given us a brief exposition of the principles of Rationalism, it may seem appropriate to add a few remarks on what Rationalism is not. If I have waited till our third reunion to speak on a subject which should logically come before all others, it is because I have only recently realised how many do not know what Rationalism is or what it stands for. Further reflection showed me that had some one placed me in the somewhat uncomfortable position of the Rabbi Hillel and compelled me to expound the whole of the law while standing on one foot, I should have been unprepared for the ordeal. Even now that I have notice of the question it does not appear to me to be so easy as the good Rabbi found it.

## What It Stands For.

It has been suggested that one latelling himself a Rationalist means thereby to convey to the world that he is better endowed than others of his kind with the faculty which gives to humanity its specific name, that he is more rational. Now, etymology is a pleasant study, from which all may derive pleasure and some of us advantage, and far be it from me to disparage it. Yet I suggest that linguistic learning might find more useful employment than in this elegant trifling. There is this much truth in the suggestion, that one who takes the trouble to differ from another necessarily believes himself to be better informed or more rightly thinking as regards the point under discussion. But so limited the suggestion becomes a mere platitude. No alternative name offers escape: if by the use of some such word as "Rationalism" or "Ennoscism" we escape the etymologist, it is but to fall into the hands of the punster who sits in high places.

To sweep aside such trifling, I shall lay it down that, as should be sufficiently obvious to the car, did enquirer, the name expresses not the actual but the ideal. It indicates the direction in which we believe progress is to be made. To the upholders of tradition and authority we would point out the number of occasions on which these forces have favoured the wrong side, as is now universally allowed. The intuitionist we compare to one who should blindfold himself to aim at a mark, for, though it is assuredly possible that by his method he may hit yet only by using his eyes can he know whether or not he has hit it. Other methods may attain to truth but only reason can test it.

## The Critical Ultimate.

The task of expounding in short the principles of Rationalism is more difficult than that set to Rabbi Hillel. He had but to epitomise a code, where we have to define a general tendency. Our agreement is, primarily, in a principle, and if we find agreement further in concrete points, if there are certain clearly defined issues on which we are of one mind, it is in virtue of the fact that minds tend to develop similarly similar principles. While we will not conceal real differences under a vague terminology, we find in the idea of reason as the critical ultimate a sufficient bond of union.

Two points I must touch on before I conclude, unconnected as they are with what has gone before. The date of our President's retirement from that office and from Hongkong is approaching, and we unite in the wish that he may live long to see the fruits of his labours. He has seen the birth of the Hongkong Rationalist Association, and his advice has been at all times helpful, and he will leave the Association in a very flourishing state. The danger of infantile mortality may be considered as past.

For can I refrain from expressing my satisfaction with the way in which the members generally have contributed to the Association's progress. A net gain of 50 per cent. during the past year testifies to the place that the movement holds in the affections of the members; and when we consider the hard times during which this progress has been made we cannot but be optimistic regarding the future of the Association.

## The Guests.

Dr. E. Law, in proposing the health of "Our Guests," said that in doing so, he must express, on behalf of the members of the Rationalist Association in Hongkong their warmest welcome to the guests and sincere thanks for the great pleasure they had given by their presence that evening.

"In saying this I am not simply following the usual custom at public dinners, where this toast has become a sort of ritual without which they cannot be brought to a close. I can give our guests my assurance that we are genuinely glad of their encouragement and sympathy with our aims and objects which their presence here implies."

To our Association, this interest in our activities is the very life-blood of our existence. It has been said, of a certain mythical place that it is paved with good intentions and in this respect Hongkong bears a close resemblance, though unkind strangers to our City may be tempted to push the comparison further. All sorts of societies and Associations have from time to time been formed with very laudable intentions, amid the blaudits and the enthusiasm of the public; but a little while and the enemy "Indifference" comes along and sows tares and the public knows them no more.

We of the Rationalist Association are determined we shall not share the common fate, and the presence at our annual dinners year after year of so many guests is an inspiration to us to renewed efforts to make our Association a living force in the daily life of the colony. As I look round at our guests of the evening, gentle ladies in the midst of creeds and superstitions which are impeding the happiness and well-being of large numbers of our fellowmen, superstitious as cruel and as remorseless in their application as the methods of the Holy Inquisition, and whilst

creations," and gentlemen in "immaculate evening dress," it is to me an ocular demonstration of the progress which Rationalists have already made in dispelling the clouds of ignorance and prejudice that at one time enveloped the very name. Time was when to sit at table with a Rationalist was to court ostracism. To-night we have with us guests whose respectability is sufficient proof that we have not gathered together to hatch dire plots for the destruction of human souls.

## Useful Work.

In giving tangible evidence of their sympathy by their presence here, our guests are, I think, entitled to be told of some of our objects and aims and of the need there is of a Rationalist Association in Hongkong. I hope before they leave us this evening they will have been convinced that our activities do not consist of meeting together once a year round the festive board for a display of post-prandial fireworks. This is only our window dressing. Behind this lies much useful work in the way of propaganda, of supplying rationalist books to our members and of inciting the application of rationalistic methods of thought and reasoning to the problems presented by the external world. In a place where superstition and belief in all manner of supernatural interventions in the events of daily life is rampant, the need of our Association is great, and it is our constant endeavour to be found worthy of the great responsibility.

Mankind is loaded with a great weight of myths and traditions which have been handed down from the days of the dawn of civilisation and have thus acquired by virtue of mere age, the authority of Divine inspiration, and the conflict between those who claim that human intelligence and reasoning should be left unhampered to probe into the truth of these cherished beliefs and those who would erect signs "thus far shalt thou go and no further" is carried on unceasingly. In this struggle, which in the past had been more sanguinary than all the dynastic, revolutionary or international wars, there is no respite, no truce and no armistice. Battles may shift their grounds, and scientific discoveries over which the bitterest struggles had been fought in the previous generation may be accepted unquestioned in the present, but pioneers are ever pushing forward in their efforts to wring secrets from Nature for the service of humanity, and for freedom from the dread weight of superstitions fears, and even in their onward progress they have to join battle with the forces of myth and legend. That this claim to apply the spirit of free enquiry to religious dogmas and to assert the supremacy of reason is to-day as fiercely resisted and the pioneers in the domain of thought as bitterly reviled as in the good old days of the thumb-screw and the rack, though the help of the secular arm is not so readily available, is shown by the numbers of letters that pour into the newspapers in the wake of the report of our annual gatherings. We as an Association are not against any religion save where traditional beliefs cannot pass the test of scientific enquiry, and it is our object to foster the spirit of rational thought, to encourage a sceptical attitude towards claims to supernatural revelation, and to resist arbitrary limits to the free exercise of individual intellect.

## Fundamentalism.

A very famous politician once said "The price of liberty is eternal vigilance." If this is true of political liberty, it is none the less true of the liberty to apply the acid test of experience, experiment and observation to matters of belief, and although in most countries to-day, liberty of conscience has been attained, obscurantism is still bruised, and here in one form and there in another is ever ready to raise its head to strike at its enemies. We have but to look across the Pacific to realize the truth of this. There, in a highly cultured country with an intelligent population, the rise in recent years of what is known as fundamentalism, and the sad spectacle presented to us within the last few months of an aged and honoured statesman spending the last days of a busy life in putting the shackles on scientific education, are sufficient to warn us of the need for watchfulness. He who, in his democratic fervour for the people's rights, could see humanity crucified on a cross of gold, yet was blind to the fact that humanity's pilgrimage to a better and happier world, has always been impeded by this very denial of man's right to test his traditional beliefs in the light of his accumulating store of knowledge.

Here in Hongkong, it is true, we shall never be in danger of having our freedom of belief restricted by legislation, but we are living in the midst of creeds and superstitions which are impeding the happiness and well-being of large numbers of our fellowmen, superstitious as cruel and as remorseless in their application as the methods of the Holy Inquisition, and whilst

## THE CHINA MAIL.

## 13th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

## INTERESTING DOINGS.

A strong attendance was present at last Friday's general meeting (the 13th annual) of the University Union.

Mr. C. L. M. Ma, the retiring chairman, presided. The hon. secretary, Mr. Ong Chon-keng, read the following report for the year:

## DOING HONOUR.

The outstanding feature was the great number of occasions that the Union met to do honour to great men.

A memorial meeting in honour of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, held on March 22, 1925, and a contribution went to Canton towards Dr. Sun's Memorial Fund were unmistakable tokens of the high regard and esteem of the University Union for one of the greatest Chinese of modern times.

On November 11, 1925, the Union welcomed H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi, and on the same evening the Union met to say farewell to one of its Vice-Presidents, Sir Claud Severn, who did so much for the Union, on the athletic, as well as on the social side.

The concert given to commemorate the Chinese National Day, was a pronounced success, and the dance was much enjoyed by those who participated. Though the expenditure was about \$300 in excess of the income, yet this loss was justifiable in view of the fact that the concert was so well attended.

The athletic activities of the Union were carried on with as much popularity and enthusiasm as ever. The cricket club possesses some good players, while the University team again topped the students' basketball league last year. The tennis, football, hockey and billiard clubs are still flourishing.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES.

The absence of a swimming pool is a great drawback to one of the best pastimes in summer, but it is hoped that a bathing beach will be procured for the use of the Union. Another suggestion, which will cause the Union no expense, but will benefit its members tremendously, is the holding of inter-hostel debates.

The Union is very grateful to Sir Paul Chater for a donation of \$2,000 used for the Shanghai trip and Mr. Edward Ho Tung who represented the Union in a number of conferences in Europe.

The financial position was briefly explained by the hon. treasurer, Mr. L. Forster, the accounts were quite satisfactory, and they were passed, after some questions were asked about the magazine and the Shanghai trip.

The editor was called upon to answer questions concerning the magazine, but no final conclusion was arrived at with regard to its accounts. The Shanghai trip was brought up for comment.

## THANKS DESERVED.

On the whole, the Union passed through a successful year and for this the Union Council, especially Mr. Ong Chon-keng, the Hon. Secretary and Mr. L. Forster the Hon. Treasurer, deserve thanks from members of the Union.

The following changes proposed by Mr. Ong Chon-keng and seconded by Mr. Lim Poh-thye were approved and adopted: (a) That H.E. the Governor who is ex-officio president of the H. K. U. Union should be made ex-officio patron of the H. K. U. Union; (b) That in future all chairmen of the H. K. U. Union should be called Presidents of the H. K. U. Union.

The following were elected officers for the year; president, Mr. Ng Bow-poo; hon. secretary, Mr. Leong Hoe-yeng; independent members, Mr. Lee Choon-ying; Mr. Lim Chuan-hoe.

The meeting terminated with an address by Mr. Ng Bow-poo, the new president of the H. K. U. Union. —Contributed.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, February 23rd, 1926, at 11:00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Director and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1925.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, February 12th, 1926, to TUESDAY, February 23rd, 1926, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 4th, 1926.

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

## NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

LY that the ORDINARY YEARLY Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1926, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 16th February, to SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1926 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

A. H. BARLOW,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1926.

## UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, Limited, on THURSDAY, the 4th March, 1926, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1925.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 26th February to 4th March, 1926, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, February 18, 1926.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## BRITISH INCOME TAX RELIEF.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—On April 5, 1926, another Income Tax year expires, and residents abroad with a title to relief from British Income Tax should then enter their claims. There is still a great lack of knowledge on the part of residents abroad as to the relief which may be secured and it is usual to find that a claim to repayment for past years also may be made.

To enable persons to ascertain whether they may claim repayment or relief, I set out as follows the nature thereof and shall be glad to reply to enquiries for further information or explanation:

(1) Exemption in respect of dividends on certain British Government Securities where the beneficial owner is ordinarily resident abroad.

(2) Exemption in respect of interest or dividends on Foreign or Colonial securities, stocks, etc., owned by a person not resident in Great Britain or Northern Ireland.

(3) Reduction or exemption from tax on income from sources within Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the case of a British subject, Crown servant, ex-Crown servant, widow of Crown servant, servant of British Protectorate, employee of missionary society, resident in the Isle of Man or Channel Isles, or resident abroad for sake of own health or health of member of the family.

(4) Reduction of tax where Income Tax has also been paid on the same Income in another part of the Empire.

I would point out that it is still possible to make claims for all years from 1920/21 inclusive provided that the necessary vouchers and evidence can be produced on which the claim can be formulated.

Yours, etc.,

W. R. FAIRBROTHER,

Income Tax Specialist.

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"KODDERSPORE"	5,354	18th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Bombay
"KHIVA"	9,135	20th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,918	3rd April	Marseilles and London
"DELTA"	8,057	15th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"DEVANEA"	8,156	17th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	21st April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,059	1st May	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	9,006	16th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,944	29th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHYBER"	9,114	12th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANIA"	10,902	26th June	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"DELTA"	8,057	7th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	8,128	10th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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"AFUARA"	8,000	13th Mar.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"KALYAN"	9,144	13th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DEVANHA"	8,156	10th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,057	20th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MACEDONIA"	11,059	2nd April	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama
"T. ALBANS"	4,500	10th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,006	16th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KHYBER"	9,114	20th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,858	8th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	14th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MANIA"	10,902	28th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MANTUA"	9,058	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMALA"	9,058	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"DELTA"	8,057	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"AFUARA"	8,057	15th June	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama
"KASHMIR"	9,000	16th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"RAMPURA"	18,550	1st July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MACEDONIA"	11,055	23rd July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	9,144	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe

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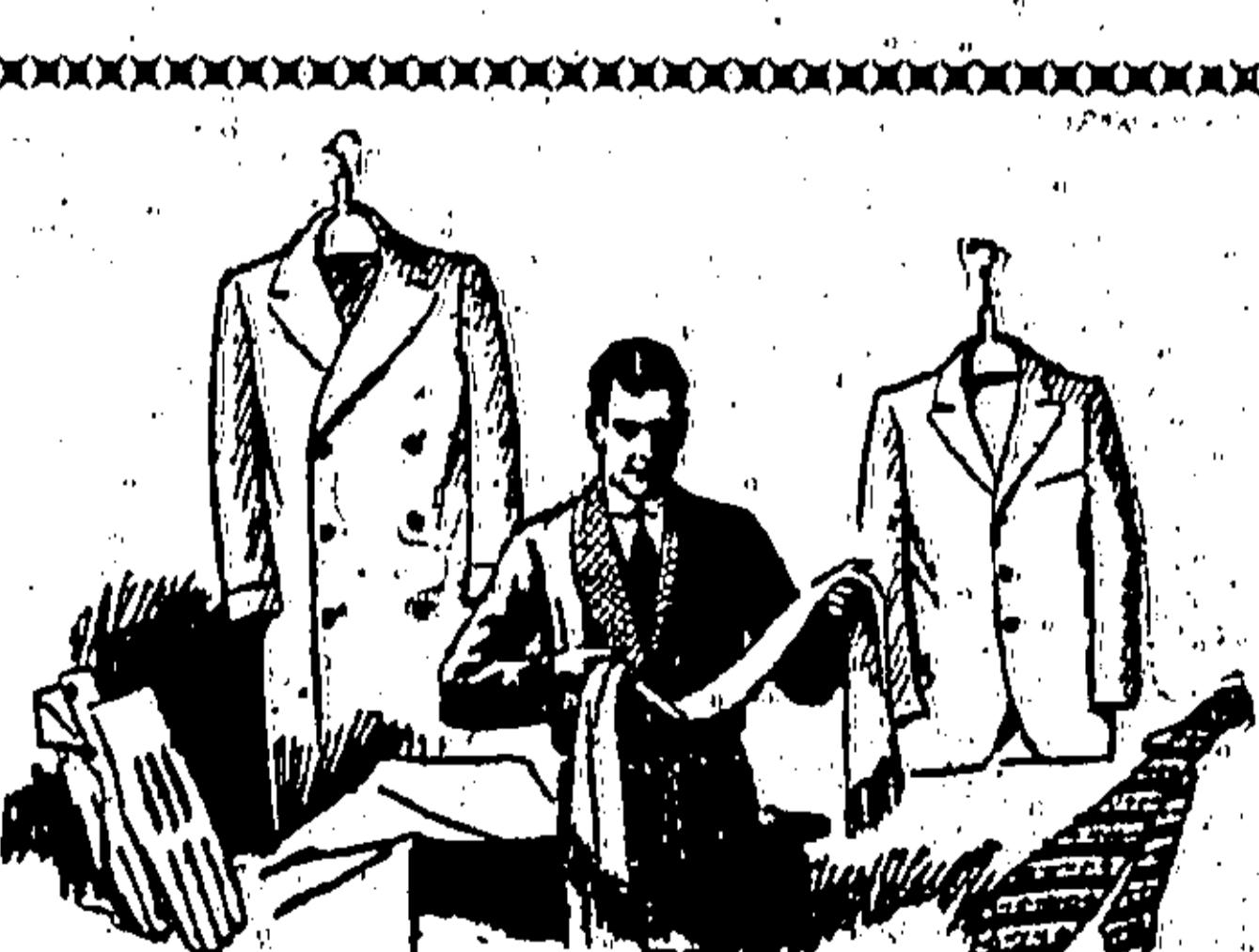
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## DEATH.

GUBBAY.—On February 22, 1926,  
at 10.45 a.m. at 9, Macdonnell  
Road, Kate Seemah, Saseen  
Gubbay in her 77th year.  
Funeral will pass the monument  
at 9.30 a.m. 23rd instant.  
No flowers by request:—India  
papers please copy.

Hongkong, Monday, Feb. 22, 1926.

## TRUE DEMOCRACY.

No better demonstration or  
meaning of true democracy can be  
given them the example being  
shown by the King's sons. We  
leave out, for very obvious reasons,  
reference to the King's  
sailor son. Concentration is  
placed on the activities of the  
Prince of Wales and his brother,  
the Duke of York. The former  
by reason of being the elder: by  
his far-flung travels; his exploits  
in the hunting field and in sports  
generally; his stirring appeals and  
his interest in the Empire and  
particularly in recent days, in the  
question of emigration, finds first  
place in the thoughts of the  
Nation. Here is no purple-clad  
figure-head, but a virile independent  
mind doing and seeing things  
for himself—setting a glorious  
example, and making the British  
throne a yet more affectionate  
thing in the eyes of those who  
belong to the Empire, than ever  
it has been before. The Prince  
has been criticised for the risks he  
has taken in the hunting-field.  
But he has continued on his way,  
taking risk as a matter of course,  
and suffering the accidents which  
have come to him, without complaint.  
It is the "all-roundness"  
of the Prince which makes him  
such an ideal representative of  
royalty as it should be in these  
very modern days. The early  
morning visit to Smithfield market  
is as romantic as it is a practical  
evidence of the Prince's  
desire to get to know more of  
what may be termed "seeing how  
the wheels go round" and we may  
be sure that such a visit was notIn this category undoubtedly  
come the Hongkong Cricket Club,  
the Kowloon Cricket Club, and  
similar institutions with what  
may be described as a "popular"  
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so, it is only natural that the  
simple fact should be recorded  
that there is an under-current of  
dissatisfaction with the inauguration  
yesterday of Sunday cricket. The formal announcement of such  
a departure was made at the close  
of a match yesterday by Mr.  
E. J. R. Mitchell, of the Hongkong  
Cricket Club, who hoped that  
"this would be the first of many  
matches to be played on Sundays."  
He hoped that other Clubs would  
join in, and thought "the institution  
of Sunday cricket could be  
very well developed in the  
Colony." Mr. J. C. Lyle, of the  
Kowloon Cricket Club, remarked  
that it had been argued that  
friendly tennis matches and  
friendly golf were not out of  
place, therefore, he did not see  
why friendly cricket should not  
be played on Sundays, and he  
hoped that further friendly  
matches would be arranged.On the surface these arguments  
do appear to be incontrovertible.  
But, it is being asked, may this  
not be the thin end of the wedge?  
It is being argued that the sweep will  
not be through as first intended.  
Mr. Bon adds that the sweep will  
be through as first intended.  
The Chinese Engineers Institute  
who have provided very interesting  
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be through as first intended.for wholesale indulgence on  
Sunday not only of cricket, but of  
other games hitherto confined to  
Saturdays or mid-week days? It is  
pointed out that the facilities for  
cricket are at present quite  
adequate and that there is no call  
for any encroachment of the game  
on Sundays. On the other hand,  
it is contended that the two insti-  
tutions represented in yester-  
day's game, are "essentially  
Cricket Clubs" and that, therefore,  
any legitimate endeavours  
made to foster the game, ought  
to be taken full advantage of and  
encouraged. Which, again, seems  
sound and logical. There is, how-  
ever, a section ready to resent  
this dominating influence of  
cricket on Sundays. The innova-  
tion of yesterday is, to say the  
least, more than likely to lead to  
an interesting controversy.

## DANCING DISPLAY.

MISS DAISY O'KEEFE'S  
PUPILS.The colourful exhibition of  
dancing which has charmed  
audiences on two occasions at the  
Theatre Royal is to be repeated  
on Wednesday next at the Star  
Theatre. This is good news.  
Saturday's display was in every  
sense of the word, enjoyable. It  
was not merely a triumph for Miss  
O'Keefe as a teacher and dancer,  
but a triumph also for her pupils  
in particular, Winnie Henderson  
was the outstanding personality.  
Nature seems to have endowed this  
little lady with the right attributes  
of the born dancer. Her move-  
ments are sheer poetry. All she  
did—and it was diversified as  
dancing can be—was invested with  
charm and elegance—and, in the  
case of the coster dance, a sense  
of the riotous fun associated with it.  
One other needs particular  
mention. The generally thankless  
task of presiding at the piano was  
undertaken by Mrs. Suiter. In a  
fairly long experience of music, the  
writer has not heard for a long  
time so much delightful light  
classical music in one evening, and  
played almost faultlessly—in parti-  
cular. The Chaminade music, the  
selections from Tchaikovsky's  
"nut-racker" suite, and Chopin's  
ever delightful and brilliant waltz.  
As in the colour schemes of  
the dress, great care seems to have  
been taken in the choice of music  
—and for this, let praise be given.  
It was good to notice that in the  
lives—not merely of the King and  
Queen—but of their sons in whom  
we have a just right in being  
proud.

## SUNDAY CRICKET.

Internal Club affairs do not—or  
should not—concern the outsider.  
A man's Club is regarded as on a  
higher plane even than the home  
as "the Englishman's castle."  
But there are Clubs and Clubs.  
There is a type of Club that is re-  
garded as a popular institution,  
whose affairs are of interest to the  
public in general, whose meetings  
are reported in the Press, and  
whose decisions on important  
issues affect in no unmistakable  
manner not merely that section of  
the community which happens to  
have the privilege of membership,  
but the public as a whole.In this category undoubtedly  
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matches would be arranged.On the surface these arguments  
do appear to be incontrovertible.  
But, it is being asked, may this  
not be the thin end of the wedge?  
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MRS. MARY HAMILTON

Girls from fourteen to twenty are  
blamed for "appalling vice" conditions  
in New York, according to Mrs.  
Mary Hamilton, head of the police  
women's squad. Violent practices  
learned at schools and colleges are at  
the back of it all, she charged.  
Spanking would cure the evils, she  
said.

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## SHREDS AND PATCHES.

It is suggested that those  
"goofy," who follow a golf match  
are a little "goofy." Probably  
the one thing more foolish  
than playing golf, comments a  
sarcastic one, is watching a golf  
match. It is a matter of opinion.  
There's a cure for a rash  
And a cure for a cough  
But no doctor can aid  
One afflicted with golf!The forthcoming  
A Tree Story, A.D.C. show re-  
minds us of a story told by the late  
Beerbom Tree. A widow woman  
once brought a small boy to the  
theatre for an engagement in some  
play for which a number of children  
were required. "Has your son  
ever acted before, madam?" she  
was asked. "Oh, no, sir," was the  
reply, "but he spoke up beautiful  
at the inquest."G. K. Chesterton  
Misunderstood refers to a book  
written by him called  
"Twelve Types," and the only  
thing he can remember about it is  
that it was bought by mistake for  
a technical library of text-books  
on the printing trade! Just as  
one should not judge a drama by  
the picture on the wall, so one  
should not necessarily judge a  
book by its title. "Hilaire Belloc's  
"The Path to Rome" has lost him  
a number of readers, who thought  
the book had something to do with  
Roman Catholicism. Similarly, not  
a few have thought W. L. George's  
"The Making of an Englishman" a  
number of essays, instead of what  
it is, a story on quite original lines.Jokes about golf and  
A Recount golfers are becoming  
as common as those about Ford cars. A golfer on the  
Tronlea links found a rabbit, evidently just shot and quite fresh. He took it home and found two golf balls in its interior. The unique event was communicated to the local paper and extensively copied in the Scottish newspapers. An Aberdonian wrote to the secretary of the Tronlea club, stating that in the week in which the rabbit was found he was playing on the Tronlea links, and that he had lost three golf balls. He demanded a recount.Do you take a cold bath  
Baths each morning?" asked a  
Kowloon man the other day.  
"And you don't either?"  
was an introduction to the following:Writing about South Africa in  
the seventies, Lord Grenfell heard  
the following story told by a  
district surgeon apropos of the simple  
manners and customs of the Boers:  
"A medical friend of his nearly  
lost his practice with a Boer family  
for prescribing abutments for an  
elderly Dutch woman. Her husband  
strongly remonstrated, saying,  
'Young man! you are a  
stranger in this country and  
recommend new customs contrary  
to our usage. I have been married to  
my vrouw for thirty-five years, during  
which time water has scarcely  
touched her body! You are ignorant,  
sir, of our mode of life, and do not understand our wants!  
Begone!'"

## YOUTH OF TO-DAY AND BEFORE.

In his interesting address to the  
Classical Association Mr. Baldwin  
drew a gloomy parallel between the  
British Empire of to-day and the  
Roman Empire on the eve of its  
decrepitude. He thought that he  
discovered in both the same dangers  
and complaints, and he mentioned  
a suggestion made by a  
great scholar—that Rome declined  
mainly because there were not  
enough Romans to carry on the  
work of Rome. In the same way he  
declared that British statesmen of  
to-day fear that "the Great War,"  
by the destruction of our best lives  
in such numbers, has not left  
enough of the breed to carry on the  
work of Empire."Mr. Baldwin's proposition merits  
discussion, but we do not share his  
pessimism (observes the "Daily  
Mail"). The parallel between the  
British and the Roman Empires is  
not a close one. For one thing,  
the Roman Empire was a very long  
time going to the dogs (if it ever went  
to them). Professor Bury,  
who is one of the best living  
authorities on the subject, reminds  
us that it "endured one and a half  
centuries, divided, however, changed, and  
dismembered, from the 1st century  
B.C. to the 18th century A.D." It  
certainly endured 700 years in the  
West before it showed any sign of  
breaking up.The British Empire is now barely  
350 years old, taking the most gen-  
erous view. So that if the process  
which the Prime Minister detected,  
or thought he detected, in the  
Roman Empire is repeated in the  
British, our Empire should still  
ultimately have to be filled by  
them. The old are not immortal,  
and sooner or later the torch will  
have to be borne forward by youth.  
Meantime, it is well to remember  
that the British Empire, if it is  
to fulfil its high and glorious  
mission, must not be afraid of  
youth. It was largely made in the  
past by young men, and the history  
of the struggles in which it  
and other nations have been  
engaged shows strongly that youth  
is one of the most vital factors of  
success in war or policy.

## FRENCH FINANCE.

SENATE COMMITTEE CAVES IN.

TAXATION VOTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 21.

The Finance Committee of the Senate has passed the whole of the Finance Bill. The taxation voted by the Committee is as follows: firstly, 1,600,000,000 francs already voted by the Chamber; secondly 3,365,000,000 francs which the Government submitted to the Chamber and afterward asked the Senate Committee to restore, making a total of 4,985,000,000 francs.

The Minister of Finance will now ask the Chamber to vote 400,000,000 francs from the increase in Customs duties, but he does not need to ask legislative sanction to take over 200,000,000 francs resulting from the sale of old stocks. Thus the sum of 5,505,000,000 francs, which M. Doumer regards as necessary to balance the Budget of 1926, should be assured.

Tax on Exports.

Paris, Feb. 21.

The Finance Committee of the Senate adopted the tax on exports passed by the Chamber, and rejected a motion to send back the Finance Bill to the Chamber with a request for the Chamber to make up the difference between the sums voted and those required by the Treasury.

The Committee then, at the request of the Government, adopted by 22 votes (with eight abstentions) the tax on payments, which the Chamber had rejected.

## BIG BUSH FIRES.

FRONT OF 100 MILES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Sydney, Feb. 21.

Reports from Wagga, Wagga state that five bush fires have now linked up and are burning along a front of 100 miles. The fires are threatening a large area of valuable mountain timber and numbers of sheep and cattle in the Tumbrumba mountain.

## TENNIS.

## MISS WILLS'S WIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 21.

In the finals of the ladies' singles, in the lawn tennis tournament, Miss Helen Wills beat Mrs. Satterthwaite 6-1, 6-1.

In the finals of the men's singles, Herr von Kehnling, of Hungary, beat the English player D. Kingsley, 7-5, 8-6, 6-1, 6-3.

## NO STRIKE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 21.

The threatened miners' strike has apparently been averted, district settlements having been reached everywhere.

## NAVAL COMMAND.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Feb. 20.

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Mrs. Charlotte Pickford, mother of Mary and Jack Pickford, film stars, was reported critically ill at Hollywood. Mary has offered to submit to blood transfusion to help her mother to recover.

## WHITE AUSTRALIA.

## FRENCH MENACE TO FIXED POLICY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, Feb. 21.

The Rev. Paton, who has been a missionary in the New Hebrides for 34 years, says that the French are importing Asia-tics wholesale to their Pacific Possessions. The Australians must protest against this, or be forced to abandon their "White Australia" policy.

## CATHCART CASE.

## COUNTESS HATES "A STUNT LIKE THIS."

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Feb. 21.

The Countess of Cathcart, in an interview, replying to the remark attributed to Mr. Davis, Secretary of Labour, suggesting that she came to New York to seek publicity, said: "Would any sane woman plan a stunt like this? I came here to be quiet. I hate publicity, and this sort of thing does not please any decent woman."

It is stated that the argument to be submitted to the Court on Tuesday on the Countess of Cathcart's behalf is that intimate relations with Earl Craven, which she admitted did not involve "moral turpitude" within the meaning of the immigration statutes, or it is classifiable as a crime or misdemeanour under the laws of Britain, South Africa or the Federal Laws of the United States.

## FALL OF THE FRANC.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Feb. 21.

After a slight recovery yesterday, the franc resumed its steady downward course this morning, though there was no panic. It seems that the movement is not due to speculation, but mainly to the trade position. Once again the French are the principal sellers of francs. Many counted on a rise following the appointment of M. Doumer as Finance Minister and M. Berenger as Ambassador to Washington, and accordingly preferred to postpone as long as possible purchases of foreign currency for trade settlements, but they are disappointed with the outlook, which is still unpromising.

The Government is bound to have the greatest difficulty in getting financial measures voted in both Chambers, which are completely at loggerheads, and failure to obtain cash will certainly entail a fresh inflation. French investors are tending more and more to buy foreign securities, which involves an exodus of capital abroad.

## THE PRINCE.

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## THE LEAGUE COUNCIL.

## DIPLOMATIC OPINIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

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Diplomatic circles are now said to be of opinion that at the meeting of the League in March other candidatures than Germany to permanent seats on the League Council will not be formally proposed, but postponed to the September session of the League; but opinions differ in regard to whether an agreement in this sense can be reached between the Powers unless Spain and Poland receive assurances that the League States will not oppose the grant of permanent seat to the former and an elective seat to the latter in September. French diplomacy is reported to be endeavouring to secure such assurances.

## DUTCH POLITICS.

## DISSOLUTION SOUGHT BY SOCIALISTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

The Hague, Feb. 21.

More than three months have elapsed since the Coalition Government resigned, owing to the Second Chamber deciding to abolish the Dutch Legation to the Vatican. It is now practically certain that Mr. van Limburg will not be more successful than his predecessors in his efforts to form a Cabinet, owing to constant obstruction from the Right, who desire to re-establish a Coalition Cabinet under Mr. Colijn. The opposition of the Left parties thereto is led by Socialists who propose to request the Queen to dissolve the Parliament. If the proposal is not accepted a special sitting of the Second Chamber will be called on March 2 and the Chamber will consequently rescind its own dissolution.

It will be an occurrence unprecedented in the political history of Holland.

## COMMUNISTS.

## BASIC PROGRAMME STILL THE SAME.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, Feb. 20.

Addressing a session of the enlarged Executive Committee of the Communist International, in which 32 countries are reported to be represented, President Zinovieff declared that the basic programme and tactical principles of the Communist International remained unchanged.

The Communist International would reject the proposal of the Independent Labour Party to merge with the Second International.

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## STAR FERRY CO.

## ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION CHANGED.

TO-DAY'S MEETING.

London, Feb. 21.

A change in the Articles of Association of the Star Ferry Company, Ltd., was referred to at an extraordinary general meeting held this afternoon.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (chairman) was supported by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang (director) and Mr. F. H. Crapnell (acting Secretary). Mr. M. H. Turner represented the Company's Solicitors. Shareholders present were Messrs. W. S. Bailey, A. W. Smith, J. P. Braga, J. F. Gross, J. T. Bagram, R. J. Paterson, S. M. Churn, H. C. Shirbsole, E. Sadick, E. M. Raymond and F. M. N. G. Silva.

The chairman said:—

Gentlemen.—As indicated in the notice which has just been read, this meeting has been convened for the purpose of considering and, if approved, passing a new set of Articles of Association. The existing Articles are not so complete as it is desirable they should be, and they have, therefore, been revised in accordance with the latest local pattern. There is, however, no alteration in them of any consequence, and so I will not detain you by referring to them in detail, though if any shareholder desires any information on any particular point, I shall be pleased to give it.

I now beg to propose the following resolution as an extraordinary resolution:—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all the existing Articles thereof."

After this has been seconded, I shall be glad to answer any questions the shareholders may wish to ask.

The proposal was seconded by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and carried unanimously.

Continuing, the chairman said:—That concludes the business for which this meeting was convened, and I thank you for your attendance. As you are aware, the notice convening this meeting also convenes a further extraordinary general meeting to be held on Thursday, March 11, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at this meeting, and of confirming, if thought fit, as a special resolution the resolution which has just been passed as an extraordinary resolution and I shall be glad if you will kindly attend.

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Let's Wander Away.

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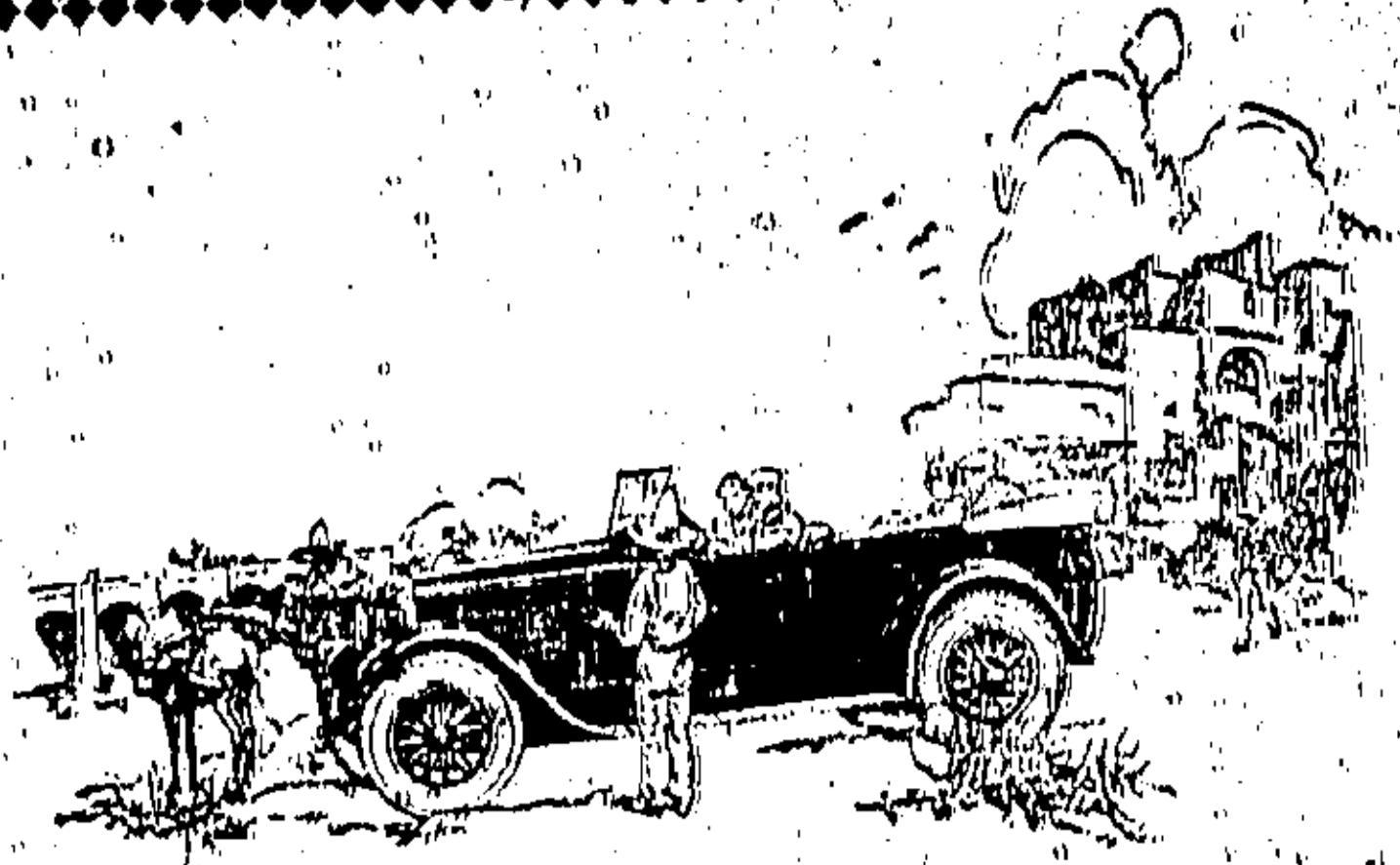
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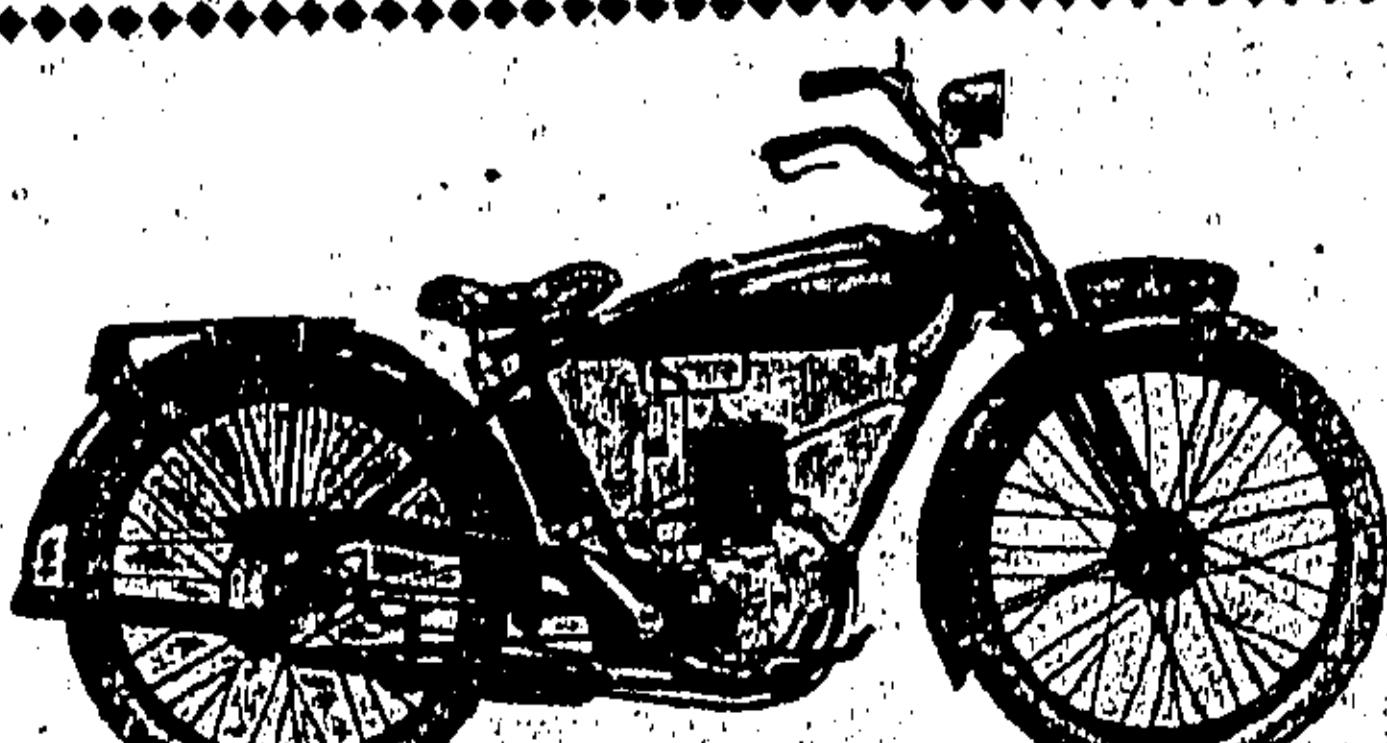
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H.M.S. "Concord" is due to leave for home on Friday next.

There was a clean bill of health for the Colony for the 24 hours ended Friday last.

Work resumes at St. Stephen's College on March 1. There will be an entrance examination on Friday next.

A Distinguished Conduct medal has been awarded to Inspector Cruickshank, of the Shanghai Force.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association takes place this evening at 6 p.m. in St. Andrew's Church Hall.

The Engineer Company of the H.V.D.C. are to have a Reconnaissance walk between Tsui Wan and Smugglers' Ridge on Sunday next.

London self-sacrificial offerings at St. John's Cathedral marked for that purpose, will be given to the Society for providing homes for waifs and strays in England.

The Newcastle Chamber of Commerce has just celebrated its 111th anniversary. The first minute book of the Chamber, recording the fact that it was established on January 5th, 1815, is in the possession of the secretary, Mr. Herbert Shaw.

Complaint is made that some unscrupulous Chinese merchants in Hankow have been mixing methylated spirits with water and colouring and selling it under the name of Shensi "Fan" wine, thus having caused a number of consumers to be suffering from throat diseases.

The Second Biennial Meeting of the China Association for Christian Higher Education opened at the Shanghai College, and was attended by 160 representatives from all of the universities and colleges throughout various parts of China. The Conference continued with both morning and afternoon sessions until Tuesday last and matters vital to higher education formed topics for lectures and discussions throughout the meeting.

If it were not for football and cricket and horse racing thousands of us would spend our Saturday afternoons either in making revolutions or in putting down revolutions that weren't there.—Mr. Robert Lynd.

During November ninety tankers, with an aggregate net tonnage of 521,078, Panama Canal measurement, transited the canal and paid \$89,227 in tolls. This is an increase in tonnage of 11 per cent. compared with the same month of last year, but cargo tonnage was only 94 per cent. of that of November, 1924. Tankers comprised 21.2 per cent. of the total commercial transits of the canal for November.

"Arrangements have been made whereby the White Star liners, "Regina," "Doric" and "Megantic" can have their young floors converted into ballrooms at a moment's notice. This innovation for the winter months has proved such an enormous success on the White Star "Big Four" to New York, in the case of which ships, the centre of the dining saloons is convertible into dancing floors, that the company decided to extend the facility to other liners.

The Caravan Club recently held its annual reunion. This club constitutes an instance of how steadily a good idea will grow when once it has taken root. It began very modestly in the year 1907, with six members, and now there are nearly 1,000. Only those who have "caravanned" know its delights. Caravanning used to be a delightfully slow and lazy kind of progression. Any peaceful old horse would do when it was desired to shift quarters. Nowadays the motor has invaded the caravan realm and a change of pitch can be easily and rapidly made. There are Caravans, too, in which the owners live to escape rates and taxes. The British climate in a wet winter is not ideal always for this sort of life. Rubber boots and waterproofs are essential if the car is to be very snug on a cold wet night. Everything within reach, and life is reduced to very simple dimensions.

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To restock the reservoirs with 8,000 trout, Swansea Corporation have voted £50.

"Please don't put me at the ginger beer table," said an old woman of 90 at the Christmas dinner at St. John's Institution, Arlington.

The French Ministry of Fine Arts has taken keen interest recently in the production of French films. The authorities in Paris are very much alive to the danger of American dominance, and it is an interesting fact that three special French films already produced have been sold on good terms in America. The dominance of Hollywood standards is certainly a danger. Even Charlie Chaplin gets a proportion of his laughs from knavish tricks—stealing the other man's cocktail, and so on.

What is the effect of this on the youthful mind? Pictures on the screen convey to the child an extraordinary semblance of real life, and it is only natural that children should practise the tricks they learn from the cinema. The child is realistic; he does not always know when a joke is a joke. Those people who are interesting themselves so valuably in the question of industrial psychology might very well apply themselves to this problem and see whether we cannot set up a purer British standard of our own.

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**"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE****LOCAL SOCCER.****FIVE JUNIOR LEAGUE MATCHES.****MOSLEM'S FINE WIN.**

An interesting junior league match among four others played on Saturday was that between the Moslem "A" and the University. The result was in doubt until the end when the Moslem team won by four goals to three after a clean game. Seven goals against one by Recreio "A" were scored by the Surreys Reserves. Kowloon "B" (playing ten men) were beaten by St. Joseph's Boarders.

**HONGKONG LEAGUE.****Division II "A."**

Surreys Res. 1, Club de Rec. 1, Kowloon Res. 3, Surreys Drums. 1.

**Division II "B."**

Moslem "A" 4, University 3, St. Joe. Boarders 4, Kowloon "B" 0, Drums Res. 1, St. Joe. Res. 0.

**Drums Beaten.**

The Kowloon Reserves (at home) drew first blood in their game with the Surreys Drums when Millard made no mistake with a spot kick given owing to heavy handling in the penalty area. Early in the game the drums had bad luck when a clearance was made after the ball struck the crossbar and then the upright.

Frostone equalised with a lightning drive and later Miles gave Kowloon the lead at half-time.

A determined but fruitless effort was made by the Drums to even up matters. Morris raced down the wing and passed to Miles, who scored the third goal for Kowloon.

Kowloon.—Vickies; Knight, Sparry; Street, Brown, Ollier; Morris, Blant, Milward, Miles, Eastman.

Drums.—Crockett; Frostone, Leaveney, Newman, Frostone, Ayward; Baker, Burridge, Muffett, Parker, Robertson.

**Seven to One.**

Surreys Reserves scored seven goals to one against Recreio "A" at Kowloon. The winners played ten men throughout, while the other side had nine at the start and another turned up later.

In attempting to clear, Assumpcio defeated the ball into his own goal out of Silva's reach. Silky (left wing) made the score one all by putting into an empty goal when Anderson left his charge to clear from Remedios.

Before half time Cheeseman and Stairs gave the Surreys a lead of two.

A vigorous attack was kept up by the Surreys from the restart, Silva having a hot time at goal. Robinson scored the fourth goal for the Surreys and Stairs added three more, one going through the custodian's legs.

**Moslem's Superiority.**

The University were beaten by four goals to three in their meeting with Moslem "A" on the Garrison ground.

After ten minutes' play, Minu scored for the Moslems and Japp equalised soon after. There was no further score in the first half.

Mohammed and Minu put the Moslems ahead. Japp reduced the deficit, but the Moslems got further ahead. The University player added another goal shortly before the final whistle, leaving them one behind.

**Kowloon "B" Blanked.**

On the St. Joseph's ground, the Boarders were the only scorers (four to nil) against Kowloon "B".

The goals came from Figueiredo, Souza (2) and Chui Hung.

**A Close Game.**

In an evenly contested game on the Sookpungo "D" ground, the Drums Reserves won against St. Joseph's Reserves by the only goal scored.

Bowles failed to convert from a penalty in the first half.

Five minutes before the close Brothers headed into the net from a well-placed flag kick.

**FRIENDLY SOCCER.****Club v. Recreio.**

On the H.K.F.C. ground, the Club went down to the Recreio by

**RIFLE LEAGUE.****VOLUNTEERS THREE MEN SHORT.****LOSE TO "TROQUOIS."**

Yesterday H.M.S. "Troquois" met the Hongkong Volunteers in a rifle league match and won by the margin of 71 points.

Weather conditions were bad, a drizzling rain falling the whole time. Visibility was poor at 500- and 600 yards.

Although the H.K.V.D.C. were defeated they were by no means disgraced for they had to fire with three men short.

Individual scores at 200 yards, 500 yards, 600 yards, and total were:

**H.M.S. "Troquois."**

Lt. A. Day 21, 31, 26 = 78. Sub-Lt. Jenkins 18, 23, 25 = 66.

C. P. O. Stace 22, 30, 20 = 72.

P. O. Vincent 23, 22, 8 = 55.

Ldg. S. Woodford 21, 19, 22 = 62.

A. B. Hoare 30, 28, 14 = 72.

A. E. Lobb 26, 24, 22 = 72.

A. E. Webb 24, 25, 15 = 64.

Total 541, plus 25 (6 per cent. for open sights) = 566.

**H.K.V.D.C.**

J. Lyon 31, 32, 29 = 92. N. L. H. Railton 25, 29, 32 = 86.

D. Reid 26, 28, 30 = 84.

T. Williams 26, 22, 33 = 81.

F. Goodman 23, 29, 24 = 76.

C. Figgis 28, 30, 18 = 76.

Total 495.

**WHISTLE BRIGADE.****LOCAL SOCCER REFEREE LEAVING.**

Local soccer enthusiasts will learn with regret that Mr. G. C. Sleep, R.N., is leaving for home shortly, on H.M.S. "Concord."

During his period of service with Stonecutters range staff, Mr. Sleep has conducted football matches with credit, earning the respect of both players and spectators.

Mr. Sleep is an official referee of the Royal Navy and Marines, and of course, of the H.K.F.A.

**INTERPORT SOCCER.****(Reuter's Service.)**

Shanghai, Feb. 20.—South China played East China in the national football competition to-day and won by five goals to one.

SHANGHAI VICTORY. Shanghai, Feb. 21.—The Shanghai interport football team defeated the combined South and East China footballers, by 5 goals to nil.

**CANINE "DERBY."****(Reuter's American Service.)**

New York, Feb. 21.—Frank Dupuis won the three-day international dog "Derby," covering 121 miles, divided into three laps each of forty-one miles, in 12 hours, 32 minutes and 10 seconds.

The second day's lap was completed during a blizzard. Twenty teams competed.

**A "W. G." JUBILEE.****(Reuter's American Service.)**

This is the jubilee year of Dr. W. G. Grace's highest innings in first-class "cricket." The match was M.C.C. against Kent at Canterbury, the date August 11, 1876, and the champion's score 344. Six days later—i.e., on August 17—the master batsman, playing at Cheltenham, ran up 318 not out for Gloucestershire against Yorkshire. It was not, however, until 1896 that the doctor again exceeded the 300 mark, getting 301 for Gloucestershire against Sussex on August 8 of that year. These were his only scores of 300 or more in first-class circles.

**FANLING GOLF.****(Reuter's Service.)**

The semi-final at Fanling yesterday, in the junior championship of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club resulted:

G. Layton beat A. W. Shovelton 2 up.

A. O. Brown meets A. Humphreys next Sunday in the other semi-final.

**INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY.****(Reuter's Service.)**

Dublin, Feb. 20.—Wales beat Ireland at international hockey by 4 goals to 3.

Kowloon v. "Titania."

In preparation for their shield match with the H.K.F.C. next Saturday, Kowloon had a practice game with H.M.S. "Titania" on the Railway ground, and were superior by the odd goal in three.

Kowloon's goals were weak shots in which the ball hit Potts' shoulder and rolled into the net. Taylor and Cavell were the scorers. Baker scored for the "Titania" midway in the second half with a fast shot. The teams were:

Kowloon—Avery, Read,

McFetrie, Turner, Simms, Sibley, Taylor, McBride, Sparry, Cavell, Waterford.

"Titania"—Potts, Jonsley, Dudley, Clark, Wiley, Miller, Williamson, Nield, Molton, Dore, Eason.

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## People and Events in the News of the World



Dowager Queen Margherita, mother of King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, died at the age of seventy-four after a lingering illness.



COL. CHARLES FORBES

Colonel Charles R. Forbes, former director of the Veterans' Bureau, has lost his plea to the U.S.

Court of Appeals to set aside his sentence of two years in prison after conviction on charges of defrauding the Government.



COUNTESS KAROLYI

Countess Karolyi, wife of the former premier of Hungary, is suing Secretary of State Kellogg in an effort to force him to approve her passport allowing her to visit America.



ROYAL LOVE PAWN

The young son of Prince Carol of Rumania and beautiful Zizi Lambrino, his former morganatic wife. The father has renounced his royal inheritance and may re-marry the lad's mother.



Irene Hononius, seventeen-year-old Whistrop girl, will attempt to swim the English channel this summer, so she made a New Year resolution to swim every day this year. She had to chop a hole in the ice to "make good" when the cold snap came.



MIS. CATHERINE BURKE

Catherine Burke, New York, has filed a suit for \$30,000 on a promissory note given her by her blind fiance, the late Henry T. Keyser, an aged bachelor. She claims Keyser would not make a will and gave her the note so that she might share his estate.

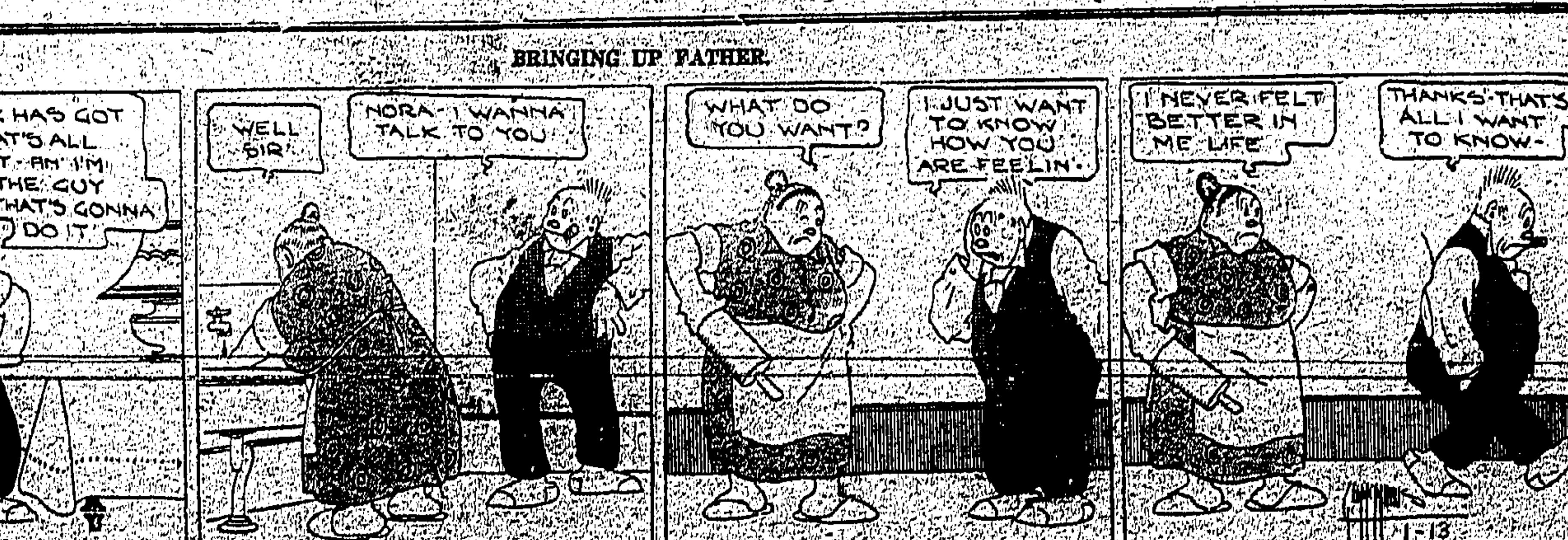


GOV. GORDON BLAINE



CAPT. GORDON MANNING

Governor Blaine, Wisconsin, will oppose Senator Lenroot's re-election, seeking the office himself. Miss Julia Lathrop has been appointed to the Child Welfare Committee of the League of Nations. Captain Gordon Manning was peace envoy of Abd-el-Krim, Rifian chieftain, in negotiations with France. Secretary Kellogg is being sued by Countess Karolyi to force him to let her enter the United States.



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Straits	Hakozaki Maru						
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U.S.A. Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pro. Jefferson						
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Straits	Kumsang						
Japan and Shanghai	Hakozaki Maru						
Manila	Pres. Taft						
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## OUTWARD MAIIS.

For	P.M.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21.							
Amoy	Chenai	5 p.m.					
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22.							
Strait, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 24th Mar.							
Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. Automedon							
Swatow and Amoy, Foochow	Hakozaki Maru	2 p.m.					
Weihaiwei	Kudochow	3 p.m.					
Shanghai	Tianjin	3.30 p.m.					
Amoy	Kwangtung	5 p.m.					
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23.							
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island							
1st Mar. Registration 8.45 a.m.	Misima Maru	10.20 a.m.					
Letters 9.30 a.m.	Ginyo Maru	10.30 a.m.					
Shanghai and Honolulu	Kwangtung	10.30 a.m.					
Bangkok	Kwangtung	5 p.m.					
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24.							
Swatow	Lian	9.30 a.m.					
Strait and Calcutta (Parcels Noon)	Yuenlong						
Letters 1 p.m.	Mingong	8.30 a.m.					
Hoihow	Hanyang	10.30 a.m.					
Gaiphong and Selangor	Konnang	5 p.m.					
Shanghai							
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27.							
Strait, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPÉ via MARESHILL, due Marseilles 28th Mar.							
Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters	Hakozaki Maru						
Amoy							
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24.							
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